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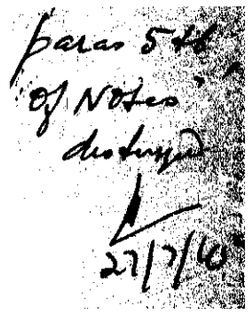

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The Industrial School in Bangalore known as the R.B.A.N.M. Industrial School was opened in September 1922. Mr. Fife, the then Inspector of Industrial Schools in Madras visited Bangalore in this connection and prepared a draft scheme for the starting of the school. Carpenting was started in the beginning and metal work was added later. The school was originally equipped to accommodate 20 boys and later on additional accommodation was provided to accommodate 20 boys more. The committee of the R.B.A.N. M. Charities provided the building furniture and such carpentry equipment as they possessed. Government equipped staff and maintained the Industrial school treating the expenditure as a grant-in-aid. Pupils were admitted to the school on stipends of Rs. 5 each per mensem. Govt. paid 8 stipends and the Municipal Commission also shared in the scheme by paying 12 stipends. With the addition of the metal class in 1923, the stipends by Govt. were increased to 16 and these by the Municipal Commission to 24. The course of training in the school was fixed for three years.

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The Inspector of Schools now proposes the following changes

changes in the running of the school.

(1) The increase of the school course from three to four years.

The Inspector says that no school of this type in Madras gives courses of less than four years. It will also be seen from the account of work done in the Madras Govt. Industrial School at Madura which was appended to the note drawn up by Mr. Fife in connection with the opening of Industrial school in Bangalore, that the period of training in that school for wood work is spread over for 4 years. It is true that if the pupils of the school could themselves do the finishing work for the furniture made in the school the wages now paid to imported labour could be avoided which would reduce the expenditure to Govt. The proposal of the Inspector seems to be reasonable and may be approved.

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(2) <u>Splitting up of stipends on a graded scale.</u>

It is proposed to split up the stipends from Rs. 2 to Rs. 8 by an annual increase of Rs. 2 instead of the present flat rate of Rs. 5 throughout the course. As pointed out by the Inspector this will be an inducement for the pupils to stay on till the end of the course. But the difficulty may be in getting sufficient number of pupils on a stipend of Rs. 2 for the 1st year. Mr. Yates stated in his proposals of 1922 that to attract boys to the school, a monthly stipend of Rs. 5 will be necessary. His reason for fixing Rs. 5 was that a boy who leaves the Vth standard of the ordinary school could easily earn Rs. 5 a month as a sort of coolly apprentice in bicycle shops and that a stipend of less than this sum will not attract

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him to the Industrial school. The Inspector however considers that there will be no difficulty in getting students to undergo training for the first year on a stipend of Rs. 2. This proposa may also therefore be approved.

The inspector says in para. 1 of his letter that 8 stipends are annually paid by Govt. and 12 from Municipal funds. But this statement has been qualified by his remarks in para. 6 of his letter that the present annual cost of stipends is theoretically 12 x 5 x 40. The 8 and 12 stipends originally sanctioned by Government and Municipal Commission, respectively were raised to 16 and 24 and actually the Govt. and Municipal Commission were paying more than 8 and 12 stipends. Please see the accounts of stipends paid in 1933-34. Govt. stipends amounted to Rs. 852-1-9 which covered stipends for more than 14 students at the rate of Rs. 5 per student per mensem, and the sum of Rs. 1,358-6-3 paid by the Municipal Commission covered stipends for more than 23 students.

(3) Alteration in the school year.

The school is at present run from September to August. This happened because the school was first started in September and the three years course fixed ended in August. There is absolutely no objection to the School year of the Industrial School conforming with the normal school year for Indian Schools and beginning its working year as from June. This may also be approved.

(4) Continuance of the existing students on a revised basis.

This is inevitable and may be accepted. It will

will involve a little extra cost but a portion of it will be covered by the reduction of the stipends for new admissions in April next.

(3) The Inspector's proposals aim at reorganising the Industrial school on a good footing and may be generally approved.

(4) As the Municipal Commission is also a party to the scheme, they may be consulted as to whether they have any objection to the proposals of the Inspector.

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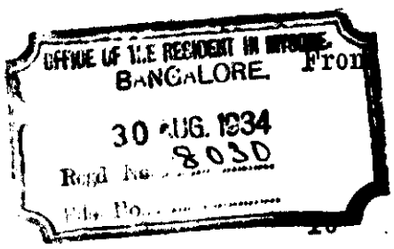

From

F.F.C. Edmonds, Esq., M.A., B.Sc.,
Inspector of Schools, Coorg and Bangalore.

To

The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident
in Mysore, BANGALORE.

Sir,

I have the honour to make certain proposals regarding the reorganisation of the R.B.A.N.M's Industrial School. This school now gives a three years' course in carpentry and rattan work and its students receive stipends at the rate of Rs.5/- a month. 8 stipends annually are paid from Government and 12 from Municipal funds. Occasionally non-stipendiary students are admitted if there is accommodation. There are theoretically 40 students always in the school.

ie. 20 students 3rd year plus 20 students 1st year.(x)

or 20 students 1st year plus 20 students 2nd year. (x)

or 20 students 2nd year plus 20 students 3rd year.

To regulate the numbers to this limit, admissions are made in two consecutive years and during the third year no fresh admissions are made, and then this cycle of admissions is repeated. ~~In the~~ In the above statement the sign (x) indicates the years during which admissions are made.

2 There is no doubt about the general usefulness of this school. I am informed that, almost without exception, the boys find employment as carpenters after leaving the school. But I find that in practice the numbers are always less than 40 as many of the boys leave the school during their 3rd year as they can then earn perhaps 8 annas a day in the bazaar. This defeat

the purpose of the school which is to give the boys a graded complete course and turn out capable workmen. The boys who leave before the end of the course cannot turn out work of a very high grade and become low grade assistants to the bazaar furniture makers. The school would serve a more useful purpose if its pupils are all stayed for a complete course at the end of which they could earn higher wages than they do at present, by turning out a higher grade of furniture.

3 To this end, I consider, two things are essential (1) The course should be extended to four years. I find that no school of this type in Madras gives courses of less than four years - usually it is five. This would enable a more complete course to be given so that properly finished high grade furniture can be made. This would not only enable the school to turn out a better grade of workman but would increase the income from the sale of furniture made by the school. This would reduce the cost of the school, which is borne by Government. At present the school takes private orders but most of such work has to be finished by outside labour. I have recently seen some of the furniture made by the school which is of very good quality indeed and which would bear comparison with that made by well-known makers. But such furniture is made partly but not entirely by the pupils themselves. The Instructor and an imported polisher do the finishing work. This could be avoided if the course were extended to four years.

4 (2) But it is essential that if the course is extended the students should stay until the course is completed. In order to ensure this I propose that stipends should not be given at a fixed rate throughout the course but should be on a grade scale, increasing as the course progresses so that there is some inducement for the student to stay till the end of the course. My proposal is as follows:-

			Annual stipend.
1st year stipend	Rs.2/-	---	Rs.24/-
2nd year stipend	" 4/-	---	" 48/-
3nd year stipend	" 6/-	---	" 72/-
4th year stipend	" 8/-	---	" 96/-

5 The average annual stipend would be Rs.60/- i.e. the same as it now is.

6 Admissions would be made in two consecutive years followed by two years with no admissions and then admissions would again be made. The cost of stipends (to Government and the Municipal Commission) would not be fixed as at present but would vary, the minimum being

7 Rs 24 x 20 plus 48 x 20 = 1440/- 5% : 864 Pupils Pupils 1344 : 2016,

and the maximum 72 x 20 plus 96 x 20 = Rs.3360/-, to be borne Rs Rs in each case as at present by Government and the Municipal in the ratio of 8 : 12. The present annual cost of stipends is theoretically 12 x 5 x 40 = 2400/-. I consider that there will be no difficulty in getting students to undergo training for the first year on a stipend of Rs.2/-, and considering that these 1st year students may or may not have aptitude for the work, this amount seems all that it is justifiable to give. I intend to see that the higher stipend in ensuing years is not drawn unless a student passes satisfactorily a test at the end of each year. I request that you will kindly obtain the sanction of the Hon'ble the Resident to these proposals. The assent of the Municipal Commission may also be kindly obtained.

8 New admissions are to be made again in September 1934. The school now contains 2nd and 3rd year boys. Although it has been customary to admit boys in this month, I suggest a change should now be made. The normal school year for Indian schools ends at the beginning of April and the new term begins in June. There is no reason why this school should not conform to the usual practice and begin its working year as from June. It is inconvenient too, for the boys to leave schools in September to join this school, after an uncompleted course in the standard in which they have been studying. I therefore propose that the 3rd year boys now at the school may be allowed to stay until next April, although they have already completed three years at the school, so that they may do some more advanced work for a few months.

They will continue to draw the stipend of Rs.5/-. I propose that the 2nd year boys, who will become "3rd year" as from September should draw Rs.5/- stipends until next April when they should become "4th year" boys and draw Rs.8/- under the scheme proposed above. New admissions would then be made next June (1st year boys) and these would be paid Rs.2/- per mensem under the above scheme.

4. I request that these proposals also may kindly be approved. I am arranging that the 3rd year boys will continue at the school and that no new admissions be made pending receipt of orders on the above proposals.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Inspector of Schools,

Coorg and Bangalore.

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The Secretary to the Resident.

To

The President,
Municipal Commission,
C & M Station, Bangalore.

Re-organisation of the R.B.A.N.M's Industrial School.

Sir,

I am directed to forward a copy of letter No. 3698/15-24, dated the 29th August 1934, from the Inspector of Schools, Coorg and Bangalore, regarding the re-organisation of the R.B.A.N.M's Industrial School, and to request that the Hon'ble the Resident may kindly be favoured with the views of the Municipal Commission ~~on~~ in the ~~matter~~ proposals.

I have, etc.,

Secretary to the Resident.

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CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION, BANGALORE
MUNICIPAL OFFICE.

DATED.....30th April 1935.

From

F. R. BRISLEE, ESQ., I.C.S.,
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Municipal Commission's resolution dated the 25th April 1935. (Ordinary Meeting).

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4. Secretary to the Resident's letter dated the 11th October 1934, asking for the views of the Municipal Commission in regard to the proposals of the Inspector of Schools to reorganise the Rai Bahadur Arcot Narayanasawmy Mudaliar's Industrial School.

Recommended acceptance of the Educational Sub-Committee's proposals.

The President put the recommendation of the Educational Sub-Committee endorsed by the Standing Committee to the meeting and it was accepted.

Resolved that the Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident be informed that the Commission accept the proposals of the Inspector of Schools for the re-organisation of the Rai Bahadur Arcot Narayanasawmy Mudaliar's Industrial School, viz. the extension of the course of study from three to four years and the introduction of a graded scale of stipends, as noted below:-

1st Year	..	Rs.2/- per mensem.
2nd "	..	" 4/- -do-
3rd "	..	" 6/- -do-
4th "	..	" 8/- -do-

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(Sd). F. R. Brislee.

PRESIDENT, M. C.

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From The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore.

To The Inspector of Schools, Coorg and Bangalore.

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Memorandum No. F.957-34 / R.O.II

Dated Bangalore, the 29th May 1936.

Re-organisation of the R.B.A.N.M's Industrial School.

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Reference your letter No. 3698/15-24, dated the 29th August 1934.

2. The Hon'ble the Resident is pleased to approve the re-organisation of the R.B.A.N.M's Industrial School, Bangalore, on the following lines with effect from the 1st June 1935:-

(i) extension of the course of study from three to four years,

(ii) introduction of a graded scale of stipends to pupils as noted below:-

1st year	..	Rs.2/- per mensem.
2nd year	..	Rs.4/- per mensem.
3rd year	..	Rs.6/- per mensem.
4th year	..	Rs.8/- per mensem.

(iii) commencement of the working year of the School from June, in conformity with the usual practice in Indian School.

3. The Hon'ble the Resident is also pleased to approve the proposal to retain till April 1936 on a stipend of Rs.5/- per mensem the pupils who completed the third year course under the old scheme in September 1934, and to the payment of stipends to the second year pupils admitted to the third year course at the rate of Rs.5/- per mensem from September 1934 to April 1936, and thereafter at the rate of Rs.8/- per mensem on admission to the fourth year course.

*with enclosure.

4. A copy of letter from the President, Municipal Commission Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, No.C.T.97/34, dated the 30th April 1936 is enclosed.

o/c

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

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